

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A portable information terminal apparatus comprising:

acquiring means for acquiring a plurality of pieces of program information;

first display controlling means for controlling display on a display screen of said program information acquired by said acquiring means;

extracting means for extracting a time included in said program information;

retrieving means which, based on the time extracted by said extracting means, retrieves other program information about programs to be broadcast in a time slot relative to said program information; and

second display controlling means for controlling display on said display screen of said other program information after retrieval by said retrieving means.

2. A portable information terminal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said time is a broadcast start time.

3. A portable information terminal apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising third display controlling means which, if any program name is selected by a user performing an operation from among said other

program information displayed on said display screen under control of said second display controlling means, then controls display on said display screen of detailed program information about the selected program information.

4. A portable information terminal apparatus according to claim 1, wherein, if said other program information cannot be displayed entirely at one time on said display screen, then said second display controlling means calls up an undisplayed part of said other program information for display based on an operation performed by a user.

5. An information processing method comprising the steps of:

acquiring a plurality of pieces of program information;

firstly controlling display on a display screen of said program information acquired in said acquiring step;

extracting a time included in said program information;

retrieving, based on the time extracted in said extracting step, other program information about programs to be broadcast in a time slot relative to said program information; and

secondly controlling display on said display screen of said other program information after retrieval in said retrieving step.

6. A computer-program storage medium which stores a computer-program which is readable by a computer, said computer-program comprising the steps of:

acquiring a plurality of pieces of program information;

firstly controlling display on a display screen of said program information acquired in said acquiring step;

extracting a time included in said program information;

retrieving, based on the time extracted in said extracting step, other program information about programs to be broadcast in a time slot relative to said program information; and

secondly controlling display on said display screen of said other program information after retrieval in said retrieving step.

7. A computer-program for causing a computer to execute the steps of:

acquiring a plurality of pieces of program information;

firstly controlling display on a display screen of

said program information acquired in said acquiring step;

extracting a time included in said program  
information;

retrieving, based on the time extracted in said  
extracting step, other program information about programs  
to be broadcast in a time slot relative to said program  
information; and

secondly controlling display on said display screen  
of said other program information after retrieval in said  
retrieving step.